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TO : Chief, Language and Area School

DATE: 24 January 1962

FROM : Deputy Chief, Language Training

NSA review completed

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report

A. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. [] attended the Interagency Round Table on Friday, 19 January, at Fort Meade. The meeting was chaired by []. The topics of discussion were programmed instruction and materials and other activities in connection with the teaching of African languages. Dr. Earl Stevik of the Foreign Service Institute exhibited materials in 3 African languages and described the experimental course in 4 African languages which is now being conducted at the Foreign Service Institute. The Foreign Service Institute, which will be the host for the Round Table at the next meeting 2 March, is inviting Dr. Rand Morton of the University of Michigan to discuss his work in programmed instruction in foreign languages. Dr. Morton will be working with FSI linguists for 2 days preceding the meeting, and we have been invited to participate in that phase of Dr. Morton's visit.

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2. We are informed by the Office of Security that Mrs. [] will return between the 25th and 30th of January to Washington. In reply to their question as to whether we would consider continuing her employment, we replied that if the Office of Security does not interpose any objection, we would undertake to obtain with [] an understanding which would prevent a recurrence of this incident and would consider reinstating her. Since we received this word, [] ex-husband, by telephone. Mr. [] expressed still some concern for the welfare of his children who are in the custody of []. This matter was discussed with SO/TR who conferred with the Office of Security, and the Office of Security advised us that they did not consider it necessary for us to contact [] with respect to any action which he might take in connection with the custody of his children.

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3. [] has had her operation and appears to be doing nicely. As yet we have no indication of when she will be able to return to duty. While at home she has done her share of the work on the final lessons of the first half of the Agency course in Basic Chinese. The full-time class [] was teaching is taking the China Familiarization course this week. This is working out very well and at the end of the week their course will resume with [] instructing until Mrs [] return.

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4. During the past week twenty-five written proficiency tests were given in Albanian, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish and Swedish. Fifteen of the candidates were from DDP and ten from other components.

Twenty-six oral proficiency tests were given during the past week in Danish, French, German, Italian, Persian, Russian, Spanish and Swedish. Seventeen of the candidates were from DDP and nine from other components.

Twenty-four Language Award certificates were forwarded to the Registrar this past week.



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